

**U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
POLLUTION REPORT****I. HEADING**

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II. BACKGROUND

Site No.:	S7
Delivery Order No.:	2101-02-010
Response Authority:	CERCLA
ERNS No.:	N/A
CERCLIS No.:	NYD002249563
NPL Status:	Non-NPL
Action Memo Status:	Approved on 9/26/97
Start Date:	9/30/97
Demobilization Date:	N/A
Completion Date:	N/A

III. SITE INFORMATION

A. Incident Category

CERCLA incident category: Inactive Production Facility

B. Site Description

The Bossert Manufacturing Site (site) is an abandoned production facility located at 1002 Oswego Street in the City of Utica, Oneida County, New York. The Bossert facility was used for the stamping, weldment, and fabrication of sheet metal items such as brake backing plates and steel floor grates from 1896 until the mid-1980's. During its operation, PCB oils were utilized in transformers and in hydraulic presses used in the manufacturing process. As a result of past manufacturing practices and salvage operations at the site, interior surfaces on floors and walls of the facility, as well as machinery and other structures within the building, became contaminated with PCBs.

CERCLA funds have been activated to abate the threat to public safety and the environment. Activity will include the off-site disposal of approximately 3,500 cubic yards of PCB contaminated debris, asbestos abatement, decontamination of mechanical and hydraulic presses, and the partial demolition/shoring of a building.

For a more detailed description, see Polrep No. 1 (Initial).

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Removal Actions to Date

3/2/98 - 3/6/98: On March 5, three roll-off boxes of PCB contaminated debris totalling 75 cubic yards were transported off site and disposed of at a permitted landfill. To date, 60 roll-off boxes with a combined volume of 1,545 cubic yards have been shipped off the site.

ERRS continued to decontaminate scrap metal with a high temperature pressure washer. Clean scrap metal was placed into roll-off dumpsters for salvaging. During this work week, one roll-off dumpster of scrap metal was shipped off site for salvaging to recover funds which will be readministered into the ERRS project ceiling. See VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL for an updated table of scrap metal salvaged and funds recovered.

Two ERRS engineers were on site during this work week to evaluate the structural integrity of the site, specifically the Press Room (Area 12) and the collapsed portion of the building along Oswego Street. A demolition plan will be generated based on the research conducted along with a report detailing the engineering measures which must be taken for work to be performed safely in Area 12.

2. Enforcement

The PRP Search for the site has been initiated and enforcement efforts are continuing.

B. Planned Removal Actions

ERRS will continue transportation and disposal of PCB contaminated debris, kiln dust, and carbon powder during the week of March 9. ERRS will also continue to decontaminate scrap metal and steel using a high temperature pressure washer.

C. Key Issues

N/A

V. COST INFORMATION AS OF MARCH 9, 1998 *

ERRS Contractor	\$	2,633,743
START Contractor Costs		162,400
Intramural Costs		<u>261,529</u>
TOTAL	\$	3,057,672
Project Ceiling	\$	5,990,000
Percent of Project Funds Remaining		49.0%

- * The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

Waste Stream	Medium	Quantity	Containment Migration Control	Treatment	Disposal
PCB (UN3077)	Contaminated debris	1,545 cu. yds.	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY
PCB (UN2315)	Kiln dust & spent carbon	425 tons	Consolidated & Covered	Landfilled	Chemical Waste Management Model City, NY

VII. SALVAGEABLE MATERIAL

Materials	Quantity	Funds Recovered
Scrap Metal	126.62 tons	\$ 7,537.01

* This table will be updated as recovered funds are received from Universal Empire Salvaging Company.